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Re: BEI Pier 91, U.S. EPA I.D. No. WAD 00081 2917 Tidal Monitoring Study

Dear Mr. Stiller:

This letter is in response to your June 11, 1993 request for a variance from the requirement to complete a second tidal monitoring study at the Burlington Environmental Inc. (BEI) Pier 91 facility. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) agrees to temporarily postpone the requirement for a second tidal monitoring test at the Pier 91 facility until after technical experts from our respective work places have had an opportunity to directly discuss the relevant merits of performing a second test. It is expected that these discussions will be completed by the second week of August, which still allows sufficient time to conduct a second tidal monitoring study in the summertime if EPA determines it is still necessary. It is further anticipated that the other variance requests, contained in your May 21, 1993 letter, will be resolved in this same timeframe.

If you have any questions regarding this timetable, please call me at 553-8582.

Sincerely,

David Croxton

Environmental Scientist

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